



# GETTING IN:

## A COLLEGE COACH CONVERSATION

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**Getting In: A College Coach Conversation**  
**Thursday at 1 PM Pacific**  
**January 13th 2022: 2021 Admissions Reflections; Income-Driven Repayment Options**

2021 was the year when we were supposed to emerge from beneath the COVID cloud. It didn't exactly pan out that way, but we did emerge! We're sharing insight into what went well for our students in the college admissions process and how to think about your own process with those experiences in mind. On the paying for college front, we're looking at income-driven repayment options and helping you decide if this could be a good path for you.

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**Featured Guests**



**Kristine Sawicki**

Kristine brings 14 years of experience as an admission officer to College Coach, first at Reed College in Portland, Ore. and most recently at Stanford University in Palo Alto, Cal. While at Reed every office program fell under Kristines purview, from marketing and publications to multicultural recruitment to campus visits. She managed both domestic and international territories and developed a passion for helping students find fit in the college search process. As Acting Dean of Admission, she supervised enrollment of the next freshman class and served on the Presidents senior cabinet. At Stanford Kristine lead office communication efforts, trained new admission officers, orchestrated the tr

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**Becky Leichtling**

Becky Leichtling found her passion for college admissions early on. As an undergraduate at Carleton College, she was a tour guide and senior intern, and becoming an alumni interviewer after graduation. Her admissions career continued at Tufts University, where she was responsible for the recruitment, applications, and enrollment of students from the Southwest, Midwest, and northern New England. She also helped develop the prospective student experience by coordinating tour guide and student outreach programs, and managing accepted student open houses. Becky worked closely with coaches as an athletic liaison at Tufts, has consulted with multiple college access nonprofit organizations to impro

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**Michelle Clifton**

Michelle Clifton has spent the majority of her professional career in higher education. She began her career at Rhode Island School of Design, working with student accounts and student loans. At Babson College, she worked in a variety of roles within Student Financial Services, including financial aid, student loans, and student accounts. She most recently served as Babsons associate director of financial aid, providing financial aid counseling for undergraduate and graduate students, reviewing and awarding applications, processing appeals, and overseeing all loan processes. Michelle is an active member of the Massachusetts Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators and volunteers

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